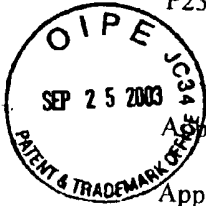


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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Patent Publication No. JP-2001-056707, dated February 27, 2001, together with a full English language translation of the same; and

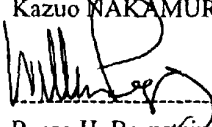
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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